

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NOS. 96-259-W/S & 96-235-W/S - ORDER NO. 96-648
SEPTEMBER 16, 1996

IN RE: Docket No. 96-259-W/S - Complaint/Petition)	ORDER
for Rate Reduction and for Decertification)	GRANTING
filed by Concerned Citizens Against)	MOTIONS
Carolina Water, Inc.)	FOR
)	NIGHT
AND)	HEARING
)	
Docket No. 96-235-W/S - Application of)	
Carolina Water Service, Inc. for Approval)	
of a Transfer of the I-20 and Lake Murray)	
Systems to the Town of Lexington,)	
South Carolina.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") on the separate Motions filed by Concerned Citizens Against Carolina Water, Inc. ("CCACW") in the above referenced Dockets.

In each of the above referenced Dockets, CCACW filed separate Motions requesting that a night hearing be scheduled in each Docket. CCACW states in its Motions that "a night hearing permits the citizens most affected by the Commission's action to observe and participate in the proceedings."

Upon consideration of these Motions, the Commission is of the opinion, and so finds, that a night hearing in these Dockets held in the area affected by the matters in these two Dockets is in the public interest. These two Dockets are set for hearing on October

3, 1996, with 96-259-W/S to begin first and upon conclusion to be followed immediately by Docket No. 96-235-W/S. The Commission therefore believes that one (1) night hearing should be scheduled where the issues for both Docket 96-235-W/S and Docket 96-259-W/S may be addressed. Therefore, in response to the Motions filed by CCACW, the Commission concludes that a night hearing should be scheduled in Lexington County for these two Dockets.

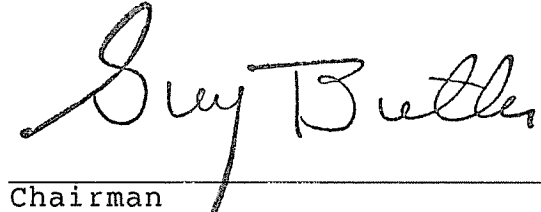
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) One night hearing shall be held in Lexington County in reference to Docket No. 96-235-W/S and Docket No. 96-259-W/S.

(2) The Commission Staff is instructed to schedule a time and suitable location for the night hearing in these Dockets.

(3) This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)